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The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am concerned by reports that the Administration is considering a request by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia that that nation be allowed to purchase additional equipment for the sixty F-15 fighters currently on order from this country.

The equipment which has been requested, especially conformal fuel tanks, multiple ejection racks for increased ordnance, is designed to change the F-15 from a defensive to an offensive weapon by increasing the fighter's combat radius, and its ground attack capability.

When Congress approved the sale of the sixty planes we were assured that no additional equipment would be sold to the Saudis. To request such a sale now would certainly lessen Congress' faith in Administration promises, and to sell this equipment now would create a much greater potential threat to the state of Israel. This sale at its best would be a severe breach of trust with a long time ally.

I request, therefore, that the Administration carefully reconsider the wisdom of such a sale.

Sincerely,

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